

# INDIANA DATA AND COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM

## COMMITTEE MEETING

December 5, 2006

The IDACS Committee met on Tuesday, December 5, 2006 at 10:00 a.m., at the Indiana State Police Indianapolis Post # 52, with the following members in attendance:

Captain John Clawson	Brian Maxwell
Captain Doug Shelton	Vivian Nowaczewski
F/Sgt. Michael White	D. Michael Paxton
Chief Timothy Viles	Mary Ellen Scheiber
Jamie Bogan	John Wall
Kelly Dignin (Proxy for Don Kottowski)	Ken Wilson

Advisory members present:	Sergeant John Richards
	Carrie Hampton

### **OPENING COMMENTS**

Chairman Clawson called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m., with a quorum present.

Opening comments were discussions about an initiative underway to automate the Protective Order entries. It is a combined effort with the Indiana State Police and JTAC (the Judicial Technology Automation Committee). It mocks the Connecticut system that is already in place. Vivian Nowaczewski, Kelly Dignin, myself and some others viewed some demos. We will be meeting next Thursday about some problems we are concerned about. Eventually what it will do is, when a Protective Order is initiated, the Court Recorder will make the entry, that system will make an IDACS/NCIC entry. If there are any modifications, if they clear or dismiss the Protective Order, it will be taken care of electronically. Andre' Clark has told him that Mary DePrez of JTAC says once we get the Protective Orders taken care of, we will pursue work on entering warrants and for the Sheriff's Departments and that would be huge; that will be the next step in this process. We had a meeting last week in Tippecanoe County, which will be one of the pilot counties, when we kick this off. They will provide the courts with the hardware and software they will need. to accomplish this. There are a lot of things we are working through, like how do we do Validations; do we need to do Validations, if the court initiates it and clears it out.

Another topic is the ORION Validations; we have had some difficulties. Every three (3) years now for NCIC and Nlets, it is required to validate the ORI's. Andre' Clark took over with the instructions and stated they were provided on Omnixx. If there are any questions, give IDACS a call and we will help you. Basically, it is the same as we have done the ORI Validations for the last nine (9) years. Under the IDACS Menu, there is an icon for "system documentation", click

on it, it will bring up a separate webpage and in there will be a link to “recent correspondence from IDACS”, click on that and the documents are located there; they are pdf files.

The new Terminal Agency Agreements were approved at the last meeting and they will be put on Omnixx as well, instead of mailing them out. The announcement will be made on the Bulletin Board that there is a new Agreement on line which they pull down, print two (2) copies, sign the two (2) copies, send them in with the signatures and one (1) copy with additional signatures will be returned to the agency. You will need to have your agency head read this before they sign it, it is more complex than in past years, partly because of technology. They should be available after January 3, 2007.

The Chairman introduced Sgt. Bill Hannon, he lives in the southern portion of the state and is a recent acquisition from the riverboats and will be the South Zone Security Officer after he is trained by Sgt. Richards. Also, Brian Millard will be joining us on December 18<sup>th</sup> and he will be trained to take care of the North Zone. Essentially, then we will have three (3) regionally located Security Officers and Sgt. John Richards will take care of the central part of the state and be the supervisor for the North and the South. We hope to be able to enhance the security audits and for the first time give us the opportunity to get around to some of the non-terminal agencies.

#### **CORRECTIONS/ADDITIONS TO MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 5, 2006 MEETING**

Being there were no corrections or additions to the minutes of the last meeting, a motion was made by Captain Shelton and seconded by Chief Viles that the minutes be accepted as written. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

(BMV/STARS Project)

Michael Paxton gave an update on the BMV/STARS Project.; and on the most part it is implemented. There are a few pieces of functionalities we are still working on. The ability to run registration inquiries by organizations and federal ID numbers, so if you inquire on Joe's Trucking, you could get a list of registrations for them and we are working on registrations by name and SSN to function properly. Right now, it basically disregards the SSN's because of some problems with the way it was programmed on the BMV side. They are working to correct it. without bringing down their Servers. Boat Inquiries are not in place right now. This was a situation where Nlets didn't really have a format for us to follow, so we are working with them to develop a standard, likely based off the Coast Guard standard, with some additions.

(Omnixx Upgrade)

Michael Paxton reported Datamaxx was here in October or November to install a new version of Omnixx on new Servers. We are working to develop a Test Plan and there is a good chance we will be calling some of you to participate in that Test Plan using your second terminal devices, then if there is a bug in the Code it is not taking down your primary device. As we develop the test schedule and the requirements, we will be working with the Trainers and the IDACS staff trying to define candidate agencies to bring in on the pilot. We are expecting cutover probably the latter half of January; that is just tentative for now, depending on testing.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Chairman Clawson introduced Vivian Nowaczewski as the new IDACS Coordinator, replacing Mike Dearing, who retired. We are expecting big things from her and she is not disappointing us.

### **IDACS COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN REPORT**

#### **New Agencies/Additional Terminals Approved**

After receiving favorable recommendations from the System Security Officers and the System Coordinator, the following additional terminals and new terminal agencies have been approved. (Refer to the listings that were handed out due to the number involved).

#### **Terminal Operators Approved**

After receiving favorable recommendation from the System Coordinator, the Chairman approved eighteen (18) IDACS operators with an arrest record. The decision was based on there being no felony convictions.

#### **IDACS Coordinator Report**

Andre' Clark said this would be his last representative IDACS Coordinator Report since Vivian Nowaczewski has been appointed the IDACS Coordinator. He wanted to say that Vivian has been just a godsend in just the last couple of weeks. She is energetic and looking at things from a different point of view. When you have problems, call her up and she is working on things totally different from the way it was done before.

Also, the new IDACS Newsletter should be out in the next couple of days and will be put on the Omnixx system and the website. This one is longer, but is full of information and there is one whole page summary on JTAC and how they will be able to help you out on entry of Protective Orders.

#### **IDACS Security Officer's Reports**

**Sgt. John Richards** reported three (3) agencies with violations. Fulton County Sheriff's Department ran Triple I under wrong ORI's. Bluffton Police Department for no supporting documentation and ran Triple I's for Solicitation Permits. Franklin County RDC entered no Protective Orders.

## **AREA REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORTS**

- Area I**      Jamalyn Bogan –Sgt. Richards attended their meeting and they basically discussed the Upgrade.
- Area II**      Mary Ellen Scheiber – She was delayed on her arrival due to a portion of Interstate being closed down on her route.
- Area III**      Brian Maxwell –He reported on their fall meeting at the last Committee meeting and they have not scheduled their spring meeting yet.
- Area IV**      John Wall – Area IV Fall meeting was held on October 27<sup>th</sup> at the Rushville Police Department. There were fourteen (14) Coordinators attending. Deborah .Cook from IDACS attended also and gave us information on the Upgrade coming up and we had a question and answer session.
- Area V**      Ken Wilson –Their meeting was at the IPD Training Academy on October 10<sup>th</sup> and they had twelve (12) people attending and six (6) Coordinators. They discussed the STARS Program and JTAC.

## **OTHER NEW BUSINESS**

Kelly Dignin from ISP Communications Division talked about training that affects everyone at the Indiana Law Enforcement Academy Public Safety Telecommunications Course. The Courses have been revamped and we are going to make sure you all have access to the Training Calendar in advance, so you can get your people signed up for the upcoming courses. The Training Calendar will be posted in the IDACS Newsletter; at IPSC, or as we know it, as the Hoosier Safe-T and on the Indiana Chapter of APCO. Donna Decker will continue to be the primary Instructor and she has thirty (30) years experience and still excited about being a Dispatcher. We will also have Kathy Robinson of the Indianapolis Fire Department, she will teach the Fire Communications, National Weather is going to train on “Signs of Severe Weather and how to Report that to National Weather”, Lifeline will come in and talk on Helicopter Landing Zone information, Indiana Missing Children’s Clearinghouse will present information on Amber Alerts, what the criteria is and how to get one activated, Ken Loudon of Wireless 911, who are leading the nation in 911 wireless technology and then Hoosier Safe-T. The classes have really been revamped and we are hoping for everyone’s participation.

Also, we found out APCO is the number one supporter for the Torch Run for the Special Olympics, so the Law Academy has asked that Dispatchers be represented. She is going to sit on the Board for the Torch Run and they are asking for Dispatchers participate. Kelly does not have all the particulars yet, but thought she would give some advance warning to the Dispatchers so you could get in shape. Any Dispatchers who would like to participate can contact her.

The last thing is important, the Attorney General’s office has been in contact and they have concerns about the amount of information that we put out over the radio regarding the social

security numbers. She explained our hands would be tied if they took that inquiry away from us and said we could not use social security numbers over the radio. They are very concerned with identity theft and want us to remember when running a driver's license check; it should be by name and date of birth and use OLN or social security number, as a last resort. You should not be running social security numbers on the air for routine basis, and that is from the Attorney General's Office.

## **GENERAL DISCUSSION**

Chairman Clawson announced that Sheriff Tom Debaun is not here today and it would have been his last meeting. Tom has been a good friend and a real supporter of the IDACS system state-wide. He is moving on to greener pastures as he served his last term as Sheriff. I want to recognize him for his contributions and he wishes he was here, but he is voting on his replacement or the representative for the Sheriff's Association who potentially would serve on this Board. as well.

## **AUDIENCE QUESTIONS/COMMENTS**

There was a question about entering the weather on the Toll Road and they still have to enter #11 instead of their new designated number. Vivian Nowaczewski replied they are aware of this and it has been addressed with Systems and Programming, and there are two other Districts also, Terre Haute and Connersville.

A question from the audience about the Omnixx upgrade, will the forms be different? Michael Paxton said most are internal changes. You probably won't see anything startlingly different. Regarding the Java, a specific old version needs to be used. When the cut-over takes place, it will take a little bit of work at each workstation, but we will walk you through

Vivian added there will be some changes on "Trainer". She thinks it will show you the questions that were missed. Michael then added there is still a lot of testing and review to do.

John Wall said some agencies asked him to inquire about when they run 27's by KQ, they did not get a driving history, also they asked about getting alias names like they used to get.

Michael Paxton said he thought they were asking about name changes instead of aliases and he will need to look into it. Regarding the driving history, Michael asked how it was run and asked them to print off the information when the problem happens again so they know how it was actually run, to be able to research the problem. Encourage anyone when they have a problem to print off a copy, so they can research the actual information used to run it and send it to the ISP Data Operations, INISP0000.

Another question about running 27's, under Conditions, Restrictions, it has the date "expired" then listed it three (3) or more times. Who do we contact?

Michael Paxton answered her, to make sure it is current information you are acting on. Michael told her to fax the copies to him for research.

Another question was about “Titles”, when can we run them again? Michael answered we still need to finish getting the coding done and get it to BMV. BMV has finished their work.

Vivian said, it will be in the Newsletter, but we have a new IDACS Trainer for the west side of the state, her name is Tracey Matson from ISP Lowell. She is in training today and will be another new voice when you call in to the IDACS Section. She has hit the pavement running and is very energetic. She is working on status information from the BMV and was trying to get it for the Newsletter, but was unable not get it all together in time. We want to welcome her to IDACS.

Chairman Clawson said we are anticipating the announcement of a fourth IDACS Trainer this week, we hope.

There was a question about access to Dealer Plates. Michael Paxton stated they are not currently accessible and they are working with BMV on it.

There was also an inquiry about so many types of plates; sometimes they have the same plate numbers (personal, handicap, passenger). Is there any way to do away with the “Type”?

Michael Paxton told her “no” we couldn’t; BMV has used the same number for Plate Type for years.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further questions or comments, Chairman Clawson made a motion to adjourn and Captain Shelton seconded the motion. The Chairman adjourned the meeting.

**The next meeting will be Tuesday, March 6, 2007, (10:00 a.m.) at the Indiana State Police Youth Education & Historical Museum, next to D #52, 8500 East 21<sup>st</sup> Street, Indianapolis, IN.**

**(Please take note of a different location for the meeting)**